

Existing law provides for the registration of sex offenders, sexually violent predators, and child predators. Provides that persons required to register as sex offenders or child predators shall register for a period of 10 years after release from prison on parole, supervised release, or probation for the subject offense. Provides that persons classified as sexually violent predators shall register for the remainder of their life, unless the court determines that they should no longer be classified as sexually violent predators.

New law retains these registration requirements of existing law. However, new law provides that any sex offender or child predator shall not be required to comply with these existing law requirements if the subject offense is reversed, set aside, or vacated, or the offender is pardoned. New law also removes prior law provisions allowing the court to determine that an offender is no longer a sexually violent predator.

New law also requires the following persons to register for life:

- (1) Persons with prior convictions which require registration under existing law.
- (2) Persons convicted of an aggravated offense. New law defines "aggravated offense" as a sexual offense involving penetration of the victim and where the offender uses force or the threat of violence and offenses where the offender engages in sexual acts with a victim under the age of 12.

New law provides that the Louisiana Bureau of Criminal Identification and Information shall participate in the National Sex Offender Registry in accordance with federal guidelines.

New law adds the following persons to those required to comply with the registration requirements of existing law:

- (1) Residents of this state convicted of federal offenses or receiving a court martial, where the offense involved a crime against a minor or a sexually violent offense. Provides that such registration must occur within 21 days of establishing residence.
- (2) Nonresident full- or part-time workers required to register in their home state, regardless of whether they are compensated, who work for at least 14 days in this state or for an aggregate of 30 days during the calendar year.
- (3) Nonresident full- or part-time students required to register in their home state.

New law further requires that similar workers or students who are residents of this state shall register in the state in which they work or attend school.

Prior law allowed any sexually violent predator to annually petition the court to review the determination that he is a sexually violent predator. Similarly authorized other persons required to register under prior law to petition the court to be relieved of the duty to register.

New law repeals these provisions of prior law.

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(Amends R.S. 15:542.1(H)(1) and (2); Adds R.S. 15:541(17), 542.1(F)(3) and (H)(3)-(8); Repeals R.S. 15:542.1(B)(4) and 544(B)-(D))